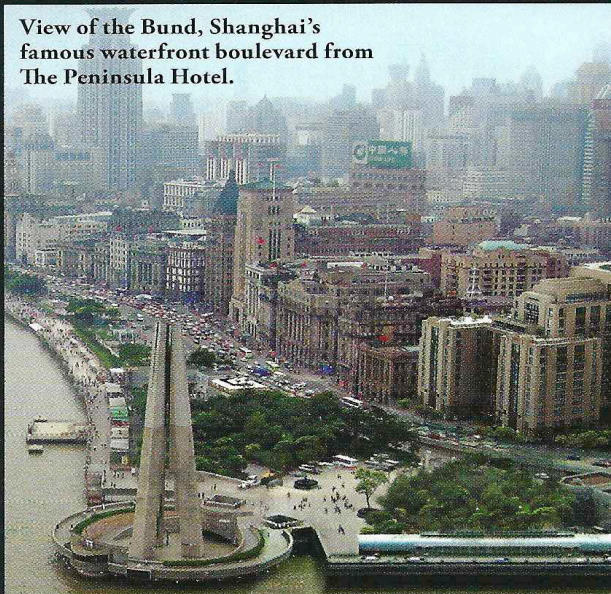


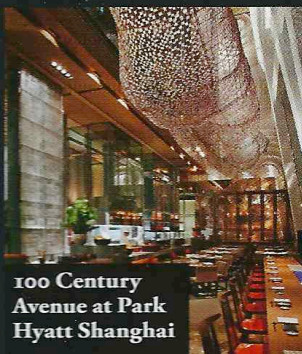
THE LOWDOWN: WHERE TO VISIT, STAY, AND DINE IN SHANGHAI

View of the Bund, Shanghai's famous waterfront boulevard from The Peninsula Hotel.



1. Stroll down the **Bund**, the famous waterfront promenade featuring Shanghai's most beautiful neo-classical buildings, formerly merchant banks and municipal offices, now converted into lavish boutiques and restaurants.

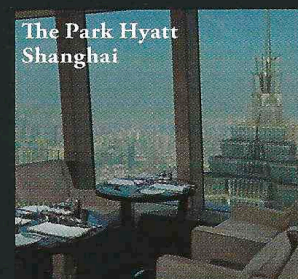
2. We got a sneak preview of **The Peninsula**, a magnificent five-star hotel which launches this autumn. Located on the Bund, next to the former gardens of the British Consulate (two former Consulate buildings, those of the Consular Offices and the Consul General, built in 1873 and 1882 respectively, survive to this day, just to the north



100 Century Avenue at Park Hyatt Shanghai

of the hotel), The Peninsula will boast Shanghai's grandest drive-in area as well as 235 rooms with ensuite walk-in wardrobes and a superb Huangpu River-front location. www.peninsula.com/Shanghai

3. Enjoy a sky-high cocktail in what is currently the highest hotel bar and restaurant in the world: **100 Century Avenue**, spanning floors 91-93 of the elegantly contemporary **Park Hyatt Shanghai** hotel. www.parkhyattshanghai.com



The Park Hyatt Shanghai

4. Dine at **Yongfoo Elite**, an enchanting 'old Shanghai' restaurant housed in a 1930's villa and well-versed in hosting distinguished guests. With its scenic oriental gardens and traditional

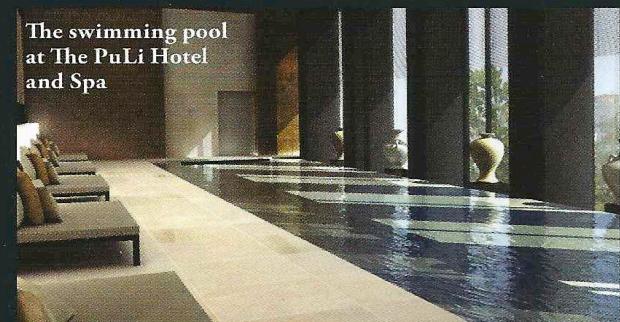
A dressing room at The Peninsula Hotel



Shanghainese dishes, this is Shanghai at its most colonial. www.yongfooelite.com

5. Eat Cantonese at talk-of-the-town **T'Ang Court** restaurant (its sister restaurant in Hong Kong already boasts two Michelin stars), located in the newly opened, art deco-inspired Langham Yangtze Boutique hotel near People's Square. www.yangtzeboutique.langhamhotels.com

6. Relax in the urban-minimalist spa complex at recently opened hotel **The PuLi**, located in Shanghai's upscale Jing'An district. The hotel's Jing'An Restaurant, run by award-winning Kiwi chef Dane Clouston, serves fresh Asian fusion dishes amid sleek Zen décor and boasts impressive views over Jing'An Park. www.thepuli.com



The swimming pool at The PuLi Hotel and Spa

7. Enjoy superb Bund views while dining at the chic Jade on 36, located on the 36th floor of the **Pudong Shangri-La** hotel. Talented new Parisian head chef and 'food designer' Fabrice Giraud has worked with Alain Ducasse. www.jadeon36.com

8. Have your favourite suit copied by **Tailor Dave**. www.tailordave.com

9. The 421-room **Four Seasons Shanghai** hotel continues to attract big name celebrities and business high-fliers. Its Executive Lounge offers private check-in and dining facilities. www.fourseasons.com/shanghai

10. Stroll around the beautiful old **Yu Yuan Gardens** and down **Old Shanghai Street** before taking tea in the **Mid-Lake Pavilion Teahouse** by the famous **Nine-Curve Bridge**. Or dine at **Lu Bo Lang** restaurant, which claims to have welcomed many heads of state over the years, including Her Majesty Elizabeth II. (Tip: book tables two or four, which overlook the carp-filled lake, or dine upstairs for more privacy.)

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